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Coupling Meshfree Peridynamics with Local Finite-Element Models

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Local-Nonlocal Coupling

VARIABLE LENGTH SCALE IN A PERIDYNAMIC MEDIUM

- Reducing the peridynamic horizon in the vicinity of a local-nonlocal interface improves model compatibility
- Standard peridynamic models do not support a variable horizon
- The peridynamic partial stress formulation does support a variable horizon and can be utilized for local-nonlocal coupling

BLENDING-BASED COUPLING

- Blending-based scheme derived from a single model
- Nonlocal length scale taken to zero in one portion of the domain, recovering local model
- Resulting scheme contains term specific to peridynamics, mitigates ghost forces

OPTIMIZATION-BASED COUPLING

- Model coupling can be cast as an optimization problem
- *Objective function*: Difference between solutions in overlap region
- *Constraints*: Governing equations of the individual models

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Local-Nonlocal Coupling for Integrated Fracture Modeling

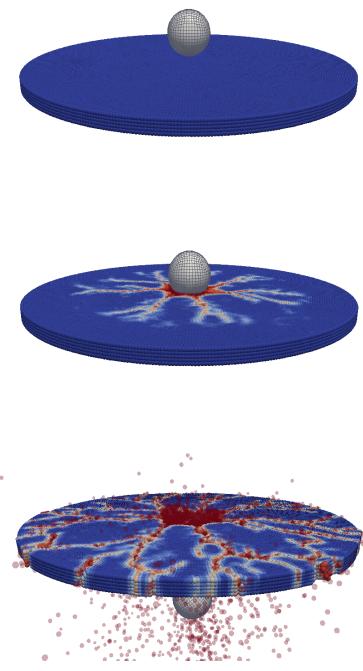
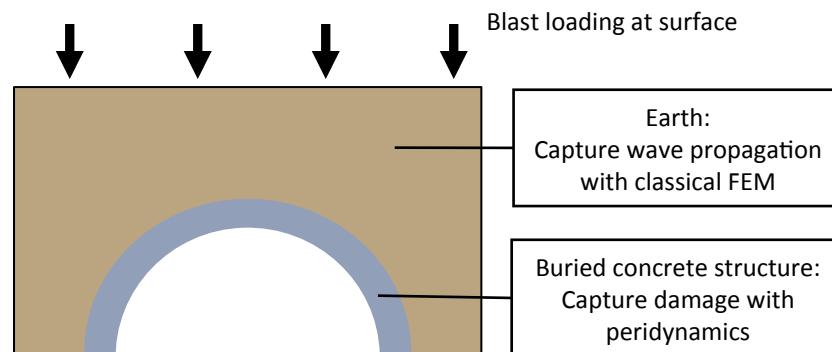
PERIDYNAMICS OFFERS PROMISE FOR MODELING PERVERSIVE MATERIAL FAILURE

- Potential to enable rigorous simulation of failure and fracture
- Directly applicable to Sandia's national security mission

WE SEEK INTEGRATION WITH CLASSICAL FINITE-ELEMENT APPROACHES

- Integration with existing FEM codes provides a delivery mechanism, integration with established analyst workflow
- “Best of both worlds” through combined classical FEM and peridynamic simulations

Vision
Apply peridynamics in
regions susceptible to
material failure



Simulation of brittle
failure

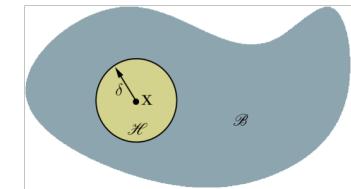
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Peridynamic Theory of Solid Mechanics

Peridynamics is a mathematical theory that unifies the mechanics of continuous media, cracks, and discrete particles

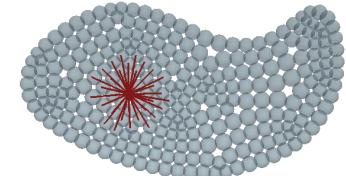
- Peridynamics is a nonlocal extension of continuum mechanics
- Remains valid in presence of discontinuities, including cracks
- Balance of linear momentum is based on an integral equation

$$\rho(\mathbf{x})\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{B}} \{\underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}, t] \langle \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}'[\mathbf{x}', t] \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' \rangle\} dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t)}_{\text{Divergence of stress replaced with integral of nonlocal forces.}}$$



- Peridynamic bonds connect any two material points that interact directly
- Peridynamic forces are determined by force states acting on bonds
- A peridynamic body may be discretized by a finite number of elements

$$\rho(\mathbf{x})\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_h(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sum_{i=0}^N \{\underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}, t] \langle \mathbf{x}'_i - \mathbf{x} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}'[\mathbf{x}'_i, t] \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'_i \rangle\} \Delta V_{\mathbf{x}'_i} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$



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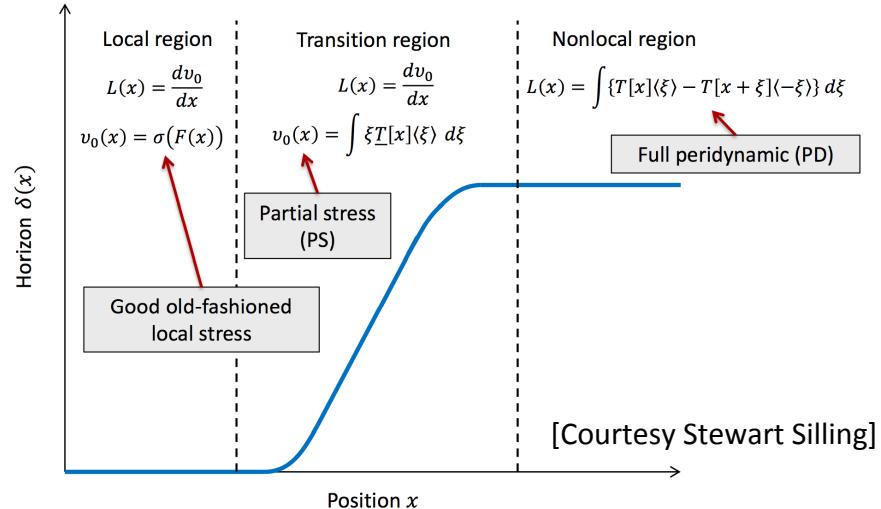


OUTLINE

- Variable length scale in a peridynamic medium
- Blending-based model coupling
- Optimization-based coupling

Variable Nonlocal Length Scale

Reduce peridynamic horizon at local-nonlocal interface to improves model compatibility



STANDARD PERIDYNAMIC MODELS DO NOT SUPPORT A VARIABLE LENGTH SCALE

- Limited support: peridynamic models can support a linearly varying horizon
- *Ghost forces* are proportional to the *second derivative of the horizon*
- Difficulties persist at transition from a constant horizon to a varying horizon

PATH FORWARD

- Seek a formulation that mitigates difficulties associated with a variable horizon
- Potential to greatly reduce model disparity at local-nonlocal interface

Peridynamic Partial Stress Formulation

PERIDYNAMIC STRESS TENSOR

Alternative expression for peridynamic internal force, tis to local theory

$$\mathbf{L}^{\text{pd}} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu}^{\text{pd}}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}^{\text{pd}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{S}} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} (v + w)^2 \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + v\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{x} - w\mathbf{m}) \otimes \mathbf{m} dw dv d\Omega_{\mathbf{m}}$$

where $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) = \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{p}]\langle \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p} \rangle - \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{q}]\langle \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q} \rangle$

PERIDYNAMIC STRESS TENSOR

Under the assumption of a **uniform displacement** field

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\xi}) - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{F}\boldsymbol{\xi}$$

The peridynamic stress tensor is greatly simplified

The result is the *peridynamic partial stress*

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}^0 = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \hat{\underline{\mathbf{T}}}(\underline{\mathbf{F}})\langle \boldsymbol{\xi} \rangle \otimes \boldsymbol{\xi} dV_{\boldsymbol{\xi}}$$

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Peridynamic Partial Stress Formulation

$$\nu_o(\mathbf{x}) := \int_{\mathcal{H}} \underline{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{x}] \langle \xi \rangle \otimes \xi \, dV_{\mathbf{x}'}$$

- **GOOD:** Supports variable horizon
 - Guaranteed to pass the linear patch test (even with a varying horizon)
 - Provides a natural transition between the full peridynamic formulation and a classical stress-strain formulation (hybrid approach)
- **BAD:** Is exact only for uniform displacement field
 - Partial stress formulation is not a good candidate for modeling material failure
 - Saving grace: we will apply the partial stress only at local-nonlocal coupling interfaces, which are placed in relatively smooth regions

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}^{\text{pd}} - \boldsymbol{\nu}^{\text{ps}} = O(\delta)O(|\nabla \underline{\mathbf{T}}_1|)$$

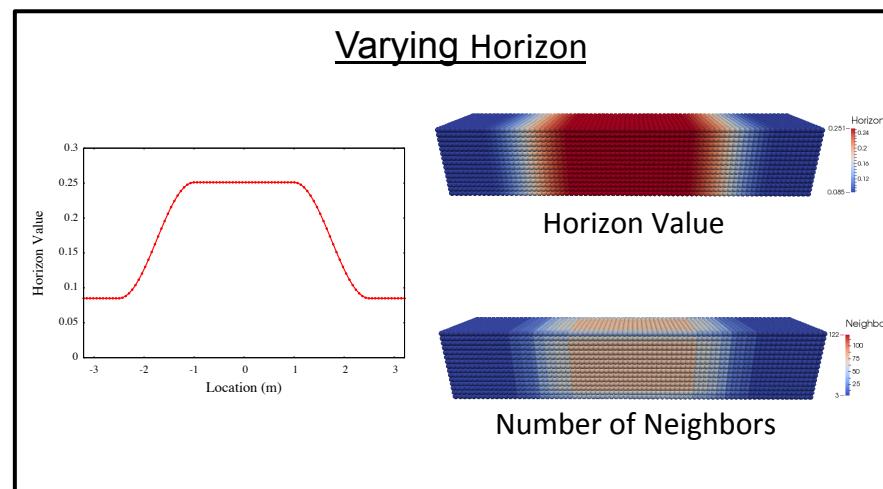
Patch Tests for Partial Stress Formulation

SUBJECT RECTANGULAR BAR TO PRESCRIBED DISPLACEMENT FIELDS

- Examine response under linear and quadratic displacement fields
- Investigate standard formulation with both constant and varying peridynamic horizon
- Investigate partial stress formulation with both constant and varying peridynamic horizon

Elastic Correspondence
Material Model

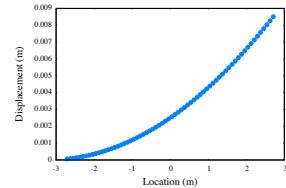
Density	7.8 g/cm ³
Young's Modulus	200.0 GPa
Poisson's Ratio	0.0
Stability Coefficient	0.0



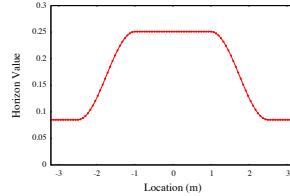
Patch Test: Prescribed Quadratic Displacement

Test set-up

Prescribe quadratic displacement field



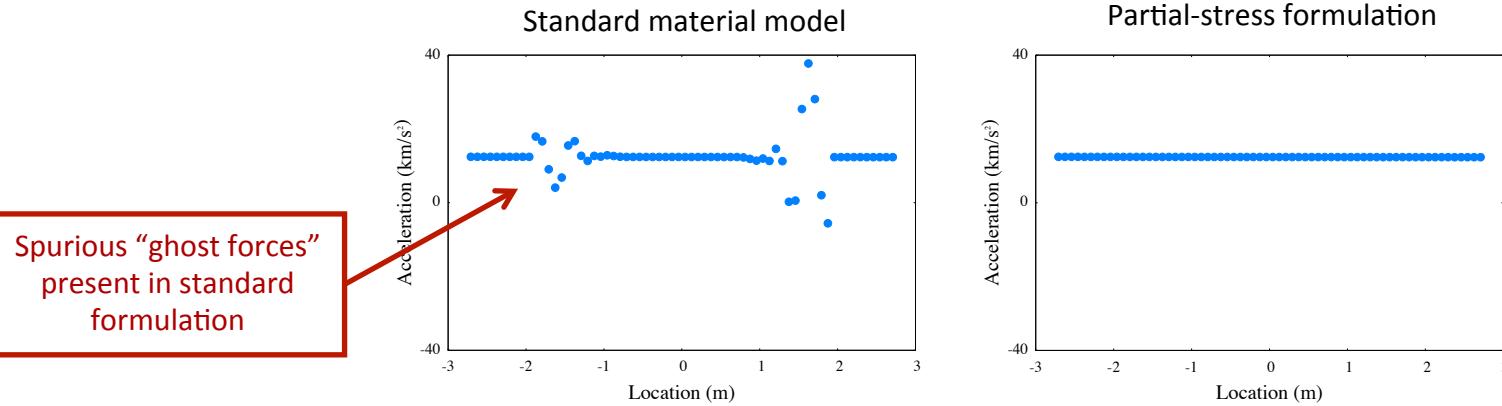
Variable horizon



Can the standard model and the partial-stress model recover the expected constant acceleration?

Only the **partial stress** formulation produce the expected result when the horizon is **varying**

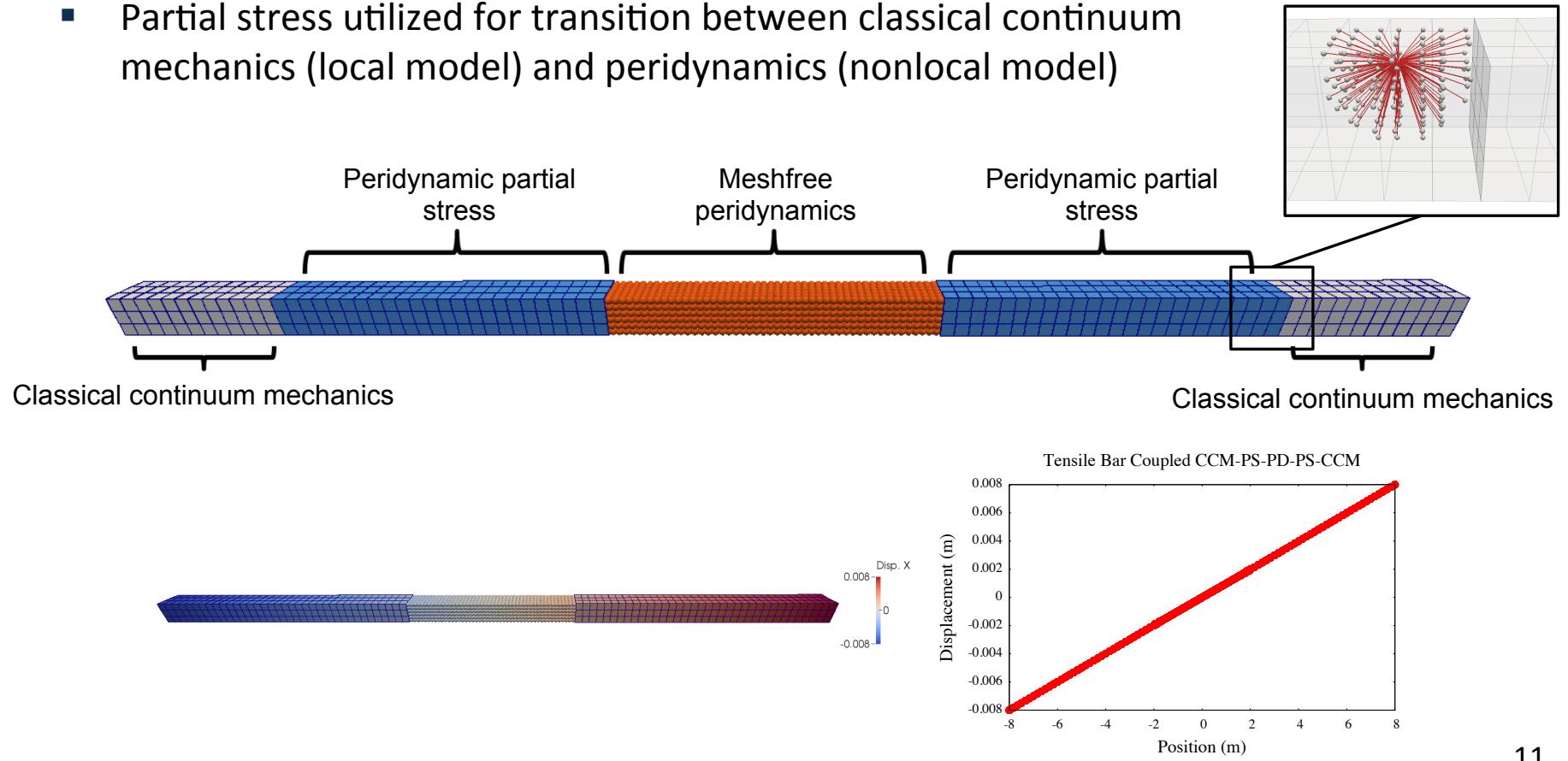
Test Results: Acceleration over the length of the bar



A Prototype of the Partial Stress Formulation has been Implemented in Coupled *Albany-Peridigm* Code



- Software infrastructure in place for strongly coupled simulations
- Meshfree peridynamic models, peridynamic partial stress, and classical continuum mechanics (FEM) within single executable
- Partial stress utilized for transition between classical continuum mechanics (local model) and peridynamics (nonlocal model)



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Blending-Based Approach for Local-Nonlocal Coupling



APPROACH IS INFORMED BY LINK BETWEEN PERIDYNAMICS AND CLASSICAL LOCAL MODELS

Under the assumption of continuity and smoothness, a peridynamic model reduces to a corresponding local model in the limit of vanishing horizon

Starting point: Bond-based peridynamic equation of motion (start with a [single model](#))

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) \, dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Step 1: Introduce *blending function* and split the governing equation into two terms

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(\frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) \, dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) \, dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

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Blending-Based Approach for Local-Nonlocal Coupling

Step 2: Linearize the right-hand term

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(\frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \lambda(\|\boldsymbol{\xi}\|) (\boldsymbol{\xi} \otimes \boldsymbol{\xi}) \boldsymbol{\eta} dV_{\mathbf{x}'} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t).$$

Step 3: Gradient expansion (Taylor expansion approach)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2}(\mathbf{x}, t) = & \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(\frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} \\ & + \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \lambda(\|\boldsymbol{\xi}\|) (\boldsymbol{\xi} \otimes \boldsymbol{\xi}) \left[(\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla) (\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}'} \\ & + \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t). \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Rearrange and neglect error term

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2}(\mathbf{x}, t) = & \int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(\frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) dV_{\mathbf{x}'} \\ & + \left[\int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \lambda(\|\boldsymbol{\xi}\|) \xi_i \xi_j \xi_k dV_{\mathbf{x}'} \right] \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k}(\mathbf{x}, t) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \\ & + \left[\int_{\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \cap \mathcal{B}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x}')}{2} \right) \lambda(\|\boldsymbol{\xi}\|) \xi_i \xi_j \xi_k \xi_\ell dV_{\mathbf{x}'} \right] \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_k x_\ell}(\mathbf{x}, t) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t). \end{aligned}$$

Middle term is unique to local-nonlocal blending approach, eliminates ghost force

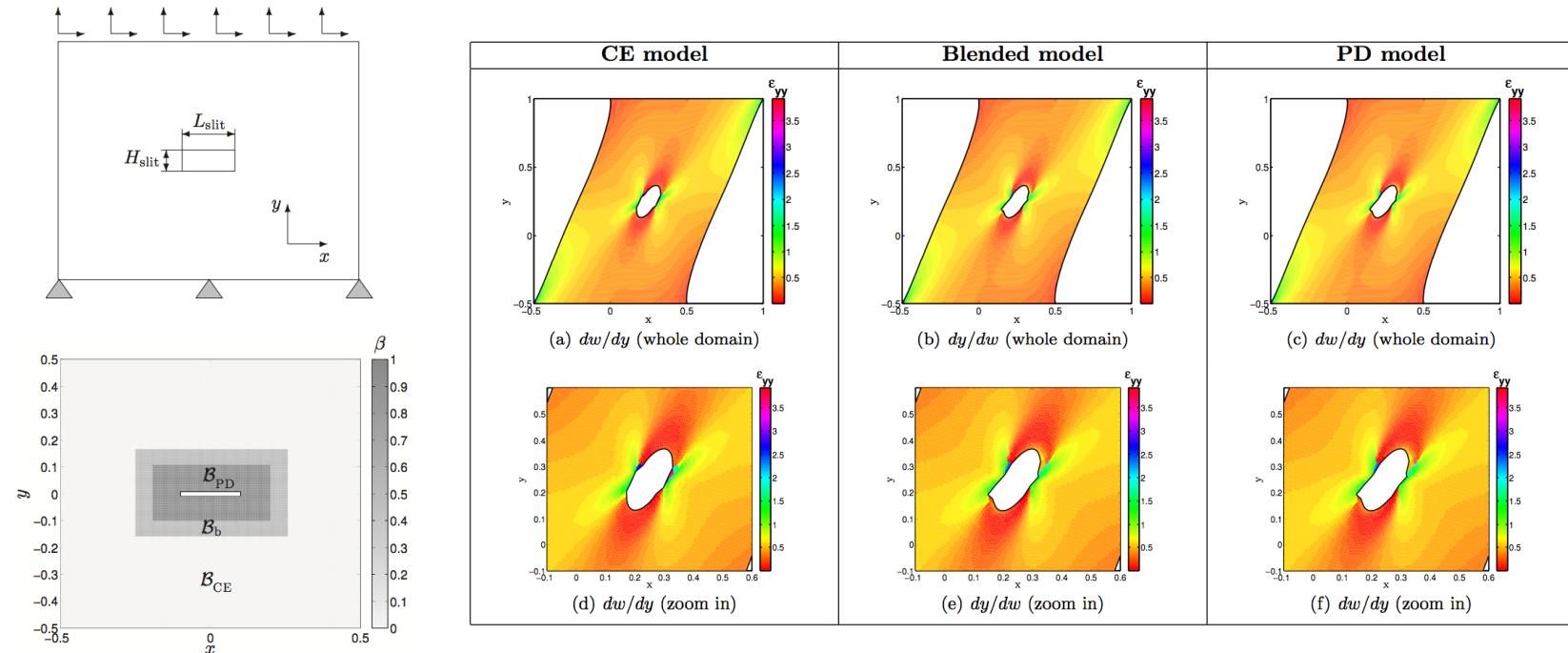
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Blending-Based Approach for Local-Nonlocal Coupling

DEMONSTRATION SIMULATION: PLATE WITH CRACK

- Negligible difference between full peridynamic model and coupled model
- Classical local model agrees with peridynamic model far from crack
- Computational time drastically reduced for blended model



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Optimization-Based Local-Nonlocal Coupling

ONGOING EFFORT OF D'ELIA, PEREGO, AND BOCHEV

- Model coupling can be cast as an optimization problem
- *Objective function*: Difference between solutions in overlap region
- *Constraints*: Governing equations of the individual models

APPLICATION OF OPTIMIZATION-BASED COUPLING TO COMPUTATIONAL SOLID MECHANICS

- Appropriate for static and quasi-static problems involving disparate models
- Rigorous mathematical foundation
- Can be applied as a “black box” to couple dissimilar computational domains
- Computational expense is a concern, mitigation strategies being investigated

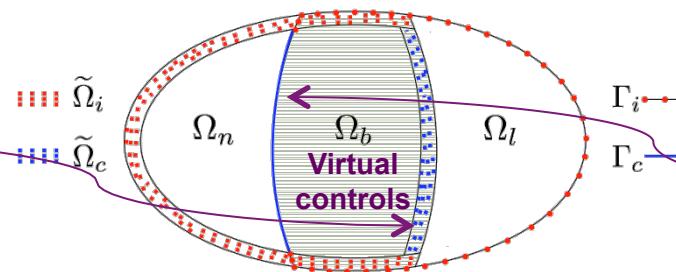
Optimization Based Coupling

Minimize the mismatch between the nonlocal and local models subject to the two models acting independently in Ω_N and Ω_L

$$\min_{u_n, u_l, \theta_n, \theta_l} J(u_n, u_l) = \frac{1}{2} \|u_n - u_l\|_{0, \Omega_b}^2 \text{ s.t.}$$

Nonlocal

$$\begin{cases} -\mathcal{L}u_n = f_n & x \in \Omega_n \\ u_n = \theta_n & x \in \tilde{\Omega}_c \\ u_n = 0 & x \in \tilde{\Omega}_i \end{cases}$$



Local

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u_l = f_l & x \in \Omega_l \\ u_l = \theta_l & x \in \Gamma_c \\ u_l = 0 & x \in \Gamma_i \end{cases}$$

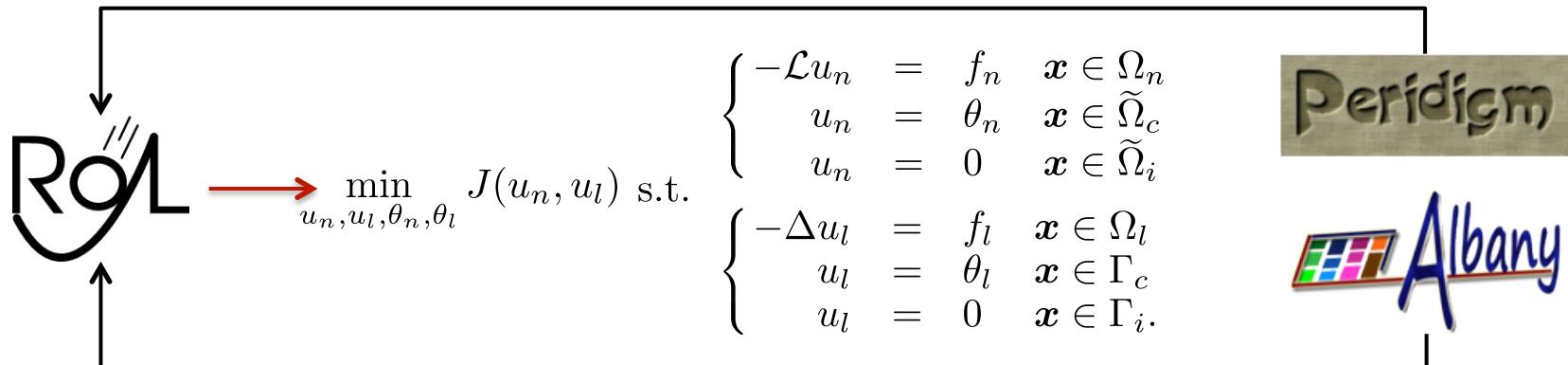
Mathematical analysis has established existence, uniqueness of solution to coupled problem

Optimization-Based Coupling: Path Forward



Utilize agile components approach for development of computational algorithms

- Provide access to adjoints, sensitivities, etc., for adjoint-based fast optimization
- Enable effective transitioning of research ideas into production software

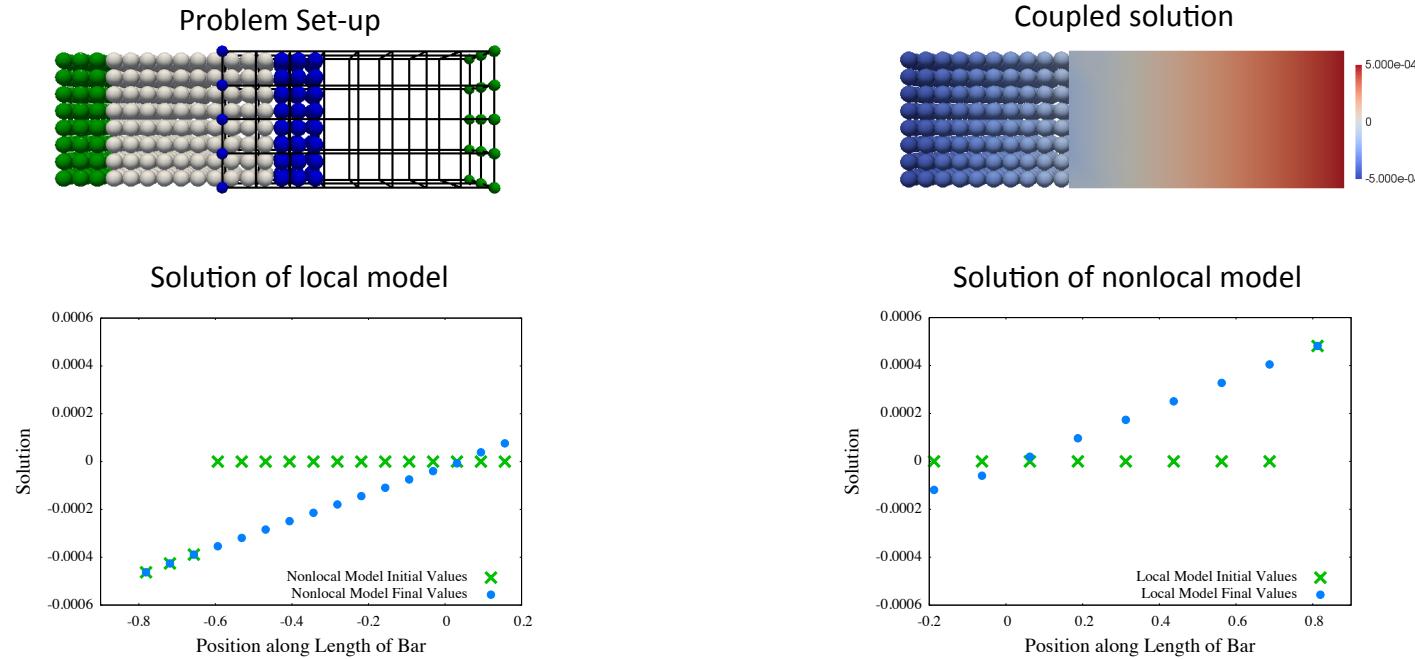


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Linear Patch Test Simulation

RECOVERY OF LINEAR SOLUTION USING COUPLED LOCAL-NONLOCAL MODEL

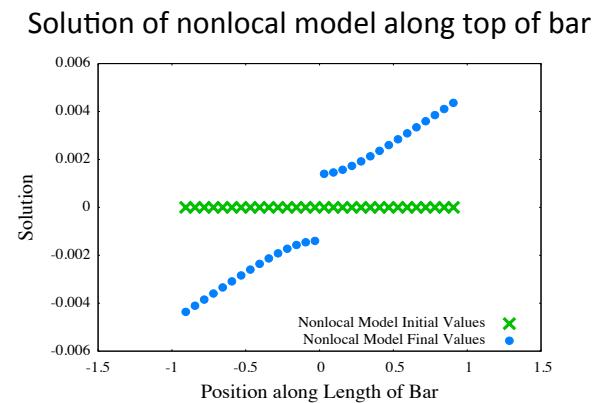
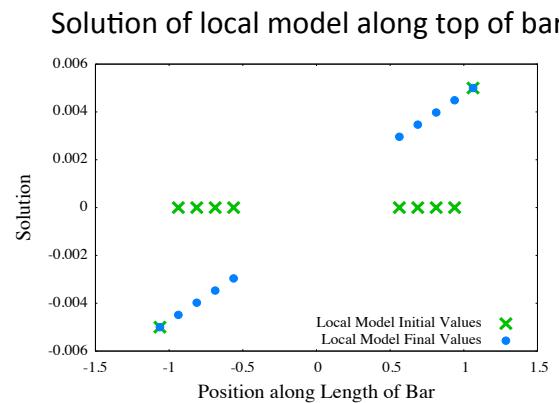
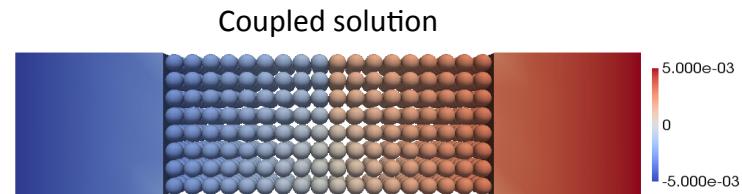
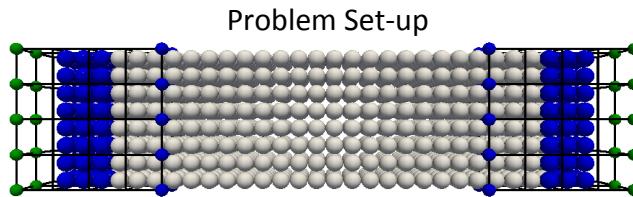
- Boundary conditions applied to ends of bar
 - Linear solution imposed over volumetric region of nonlocal model
 - Standard local boundary conditions applied to local model
- Optimization-based approach successfully couples local and nonlocal models



Simulation of a Pre-Cracked Bar

LOCAL BOUNDARY CONDITIONS APPLIED TO PRE-CRACKED BAR

- Boundary conditions applied to local model only
 - Avoids difficulties in applying volume constraints to nonlocal model
- Optimization-based approach successfully couples local and nonlocal models
- Nonlocal model provides solution in vicinity of crack



Questions?



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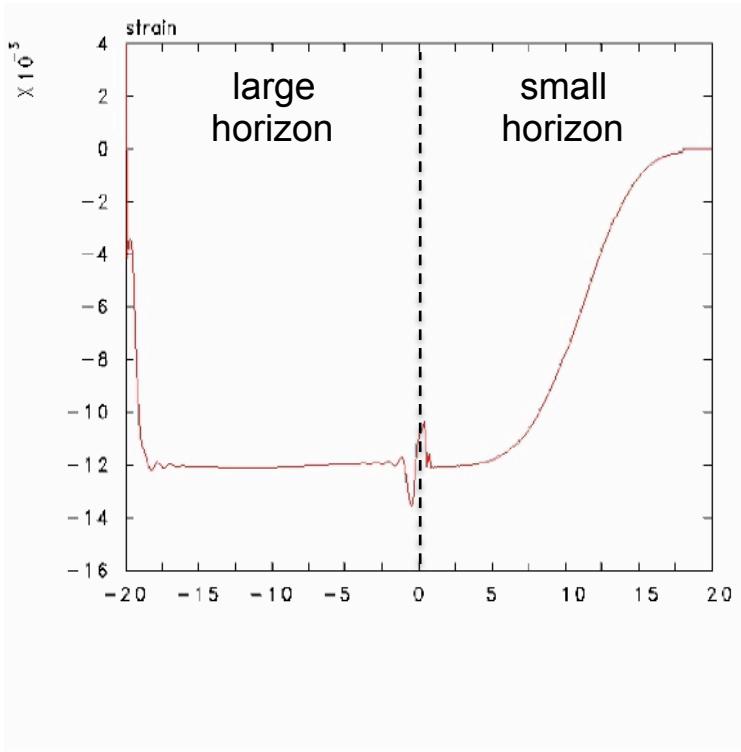
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Extra Slides

Peridynamic Partial Stress: Wave Propagation through Region of Varying Horizon

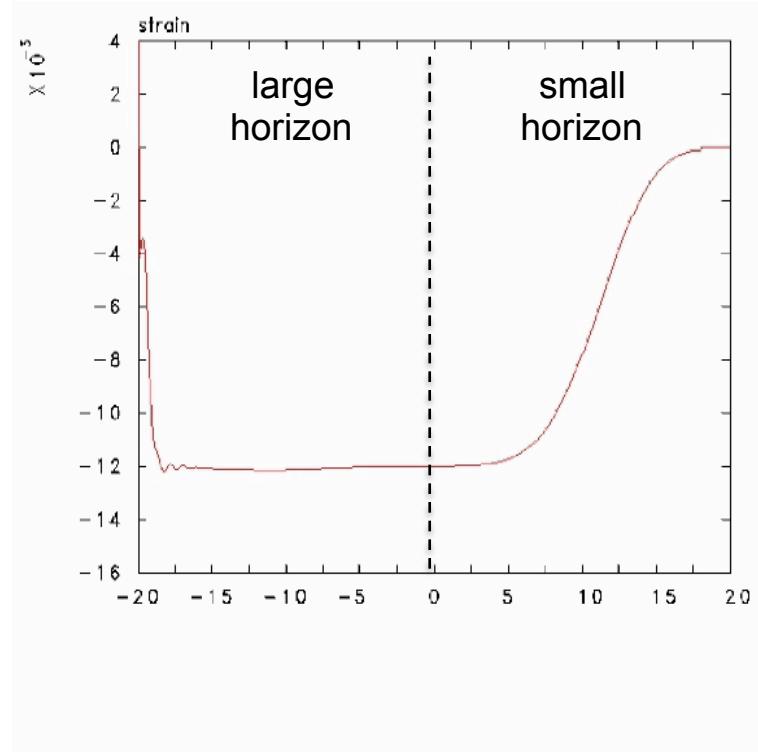
Standard peridynamic model

Numerical artifacts present at transition from
large horizon to small horizon



Partial-stress approach

Greatly reduces artifacts, enables smooth
transition between large and small horizons



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Peridynamic Partial Stress: What about Performance?

USE OF A VARIABLE HORIZON IMPACTS PERFORMANCE IN SEVERAL WAYS

- Use of a variable horizon can reduce neighborhood size
 - Less computational cost per internal force evaluation
 - Reduces number of unknowns in stiffness matrix for implicit time integration
- Use of a variable horizon can reduce the critical time step
 - Critical time step is strongly dependent on the horizon ^{1, 2}
 - Smaller time step results in more total steps to solution for explicit transient dynamic simulations
 - Important note: the critical time step for analyses combining peridynamics and classical finite analysis is generally determined by the classical finite elements

Total Number of Bonds
(equal to number of nonzeros in stiffness matrix)

Constant Horizon	92.6 million
Varying Horizon	46.5 million

Stable Time Step ^{1, 2}
(explicit transient dynamics)

Constant Horizon	2.03e-5 sec.
Varying Horizon	7.15e-6 sec.

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